Heber Boy Drowns In Provo River

The Provo River claimed the life of a Heber City youth Saturday afternoon.

Wasatch County Sheriff Mike Spanos said that Wesley Duncan, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Duncan of Heber City was floating the river just below Deer Creek Reservoir when he became trapped against a bridge he had gone under.

The accident occurred around 3 p.m. during an outing with several other youth who were floating the river on inner tubes.

Spanos said the youth was trapped for serveral minutes with his head underwater until a rescuer jumped in the river and freed the youth from his trap.

Rescuers were summons by some young girls who were screaming that there was a boy caught underwater at the bridge that crosses the Provo River.

When the youth was pulled from the river his heart was reportedly stilled and he was not breathing.

Rescuers from the Wasatch County search and rescue group tried to revive the boy until an ambulance arrived and then paramedics continued attempts to revive the youth.
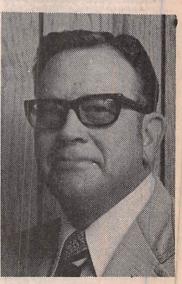
The youth was pronounced dead on arrival at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center. There was a near drowning also reported near Lehi, but details were not available. The victim was reportedly a young child who was hospitalized at the American Fork Hospital and may have been later transferred to a children's hospital in Salt Lake City.

ment officials said the measure was taken as a security precaution.

Despite the boycott, an Olympic record 140 nations sent athletes marching to their colors into Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum in the traditional parade of nations. The delegations were as tiny as the single athletes sent by Bangladesh, Bolivia, Burma and Haiti and as big as 589 athletes of the host United States.

Greece came first in the magisterial march of the athletes, an Olympic tradition going back to the Games' origins. The United States came last, with Ed Burke, a 44-year-old hammer-thrower from San Jose, Calif., who is competing in his third Olympics, proudly bearing aloft Old Glory.

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